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SUBJECT SECRETARY'S SPEECH AT UNGA SPECIAL SESSION

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1. CHARGE PRESENTED FRENCH COPIES OF SECRETARY'S SPEECH
TO CLEMENT MELEDJE, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS (WHO
ACTS AS VICE MINISTER TO FONMIN USHER) AND TO EMMANUEL
NOUAMA, FONOFF DIRECTOR OF CABINET. BOTH OFFICIALS HAD
ATTENDED OPENING DAYS OF 7TH SEPCIAL SESSION AND WERE PRESENT
FOR DELIVERY OF SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.

2. OFFICIALS SAID THEY, AND FONMIN USHER, HAD BEEN GREATLY
IMPRESSED WITH SPEECH. NOUAMA VOLUNTERRED THAT IT
REPRESENTED ONE OF "RARE OCCASIONS" WHEN THE UNITED STATES
HAD GONE WELL BEYOND THE EXPECTIONS OF THE THIRD WORLD.
THE SEVERAL PROPOSALS MADE WOULD REQUIRE CAREFUL STUDY, AND
BOTH OFFICIALS WERE GRATEFUL FOR FRENCH TEXT. (FONOFF HAD BEEN IN
PROCESS OF TRANSLATION, BUT HAD MADE LITTLE PROGRESS.)

3. USHER WILL RETURN TO ABIDJAN PROBABLY SEPTEMBER 19.
NOUAMA SAID GOIC HAD BEEN GENERALLY PLEASED WITH RESULTS OF
7TH SPECIAL SESSION. MOST SPEAKERS HAD AVOIDED UNNECESSARY
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POLEMICS, AND THERE HAD BEEN SEVERAL IMPORTANT AND SERIOUS

CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDING, AFTER THE SECRETARY'S SPEECH, THE
ITALIAN PRESENTATION FOR THE EC, THE CANADIAN AND THE
GERMAN. USHER HAD HAD A PREPARED ADDRESS, BUT DECIDED NOT
TO GIVE IT, AS HE FELT IT WAS NOT UP TO THE STANDARD SET BY
OTHER SPEAKERS. NOUAMA SUGGESTED USHER WILL WISH COMMENT
PUBLICLY AND FAVORABLY ON SECRETARY'S SPEECH AND ON SPECIAL
SESSION AFTER HIS RETURN.

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